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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 7 Sep 93 04:13:37 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Daily Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for 06 September
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

!!BEGIN!! (1.0) S.T.D. Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for DAY 249, 09/06/93
10.7 FLUX=078.9 90-AVG=097 SSN=029 BKI=2333 2113 BAI=010
BGND-XRAY=A1.7 FLU1=7.8E+05 FLU10=1.3E+04 PKI=3333 3223 PAI=011
BOU-DEV=018,033,028,033,017,008,009,023 DEV-AVG=021 NT SWF=00:000
XRAY-MAX= A9.4 @ 1135UT XRAY-MIN= A1.8 @ 0023UT XRAY-AVG= A3.5
NEUTN-MAX= +002% @ 1330UT NEUTN-MIN= -002% @ 1510UT NEUTN-AVG= +0.0%
PCA-MAX= +0.1DB @ 1620UT PCA-MIN= -0.2DB @ 0625UT PCA-AVG= +0.0DB
BOUTF-MAX=55365NT @ 0406UT BOUTF-MIN=55337NT @ 1633UT BOUTF-AVG=55357NT
GOES7-MAX=P:+000NT@ 0000UT GOES7-MIN=N:+000NT@ 0000UT G7-AVG=+072,+000,+000
GOES6-MAX=P:+118NT@ 0443UT GOES6-MIN=N:-054NT@ 1624UT G6-AVG=+097,+026,-039
FLUXFCST=STD:080,085,085;SESC:080,085,085 BAI/PAI-FCST=010,010,010/010,010,010

KFCST=1122 2111 1122 2111 27DAY-AP=007,006 27DAY-KP=2223 2212 2222 1221
WARNINGS=
ALERTS=
!!END-DATA!!

NOTE: The Effective Sunspot Number for 05 SEP 93 was 34.5.
The Full Kp Indices for 05 SEP 93 are: 4o 3- 3- 3- 2+ 2+ 2o 2+

Date: Tue, 7 Sep 1993 03:41:52 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!
newsserver.jvnc.net!yale.edu!cs.yale.edu!csusys.ctstateu.edu!
white@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: HamComm interface help needed (again)
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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I checked out the interface to the author's documentation, and it
appears to be in compliance (couldn't check the 741 square wave o/p,
'cause I don't have a scope).

Problem is, I cannot get the signal, as it is displayed on the HC analyzers,
to get above 150Hz. Could it be a problem with my Kenwood R1000? The signal
remains the same from both RECORD jack and EXT.SPEAKER jacks. Is there a
way to "move" the signal into the HC threshold of around 500Hz?
The display shows the CW, but it's too low to be interpreted by HC.
Any ideas appreciated.

Harry
white@csusys.ctstateu.edu

Date: 7 Sep 93 06:56:15 GMT
From: mcsun!dkuug!dde!phn@uunet.uu.net
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white@csusys.ctstateu.edu writes:

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Have you tried to power the interface from 9 V batteries instead ?
I had problems too, but after I have removed the diodes and the capacitors
and started using batteries instead of the RS232 port as power supply
it works just fine.

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Date: Tue, 7 Sep 93 03:03:17 GMT
From: mnemosyne.cs.du.edu!nyx!chowes@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Radio Shack is people, too.
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Seriously guys, all I've heard so far in this thread is bitching about R-S
not having what you want, not knowing what they have or how to use it, not
posting your notices about upcoming events / club info / Amateur radio
licensing requirements, etc.

Let me try to throw some gentle reasoning into this thread:

I just started working part time in a company owned store. I've also
worked part in a dealership store. The two types of stores ARE different.
A dealership is an independant store with the authority to market Radio
Shack parts, equipment, and services, usually in conjunction with some
other business line. My dealer store is also an office supplies store, a
very good match, IMHO. A company owned store, on the other hand, is run
by Radio Shack itself, handling only Radio Shack parts, equipment, and
services. From what I've seen so far, it appears to be a very tightly
controlled from the top company. As a sales representative, I can not /
WILL NOT do anything not allowed by my manager. My store manager can not
/ WILL NOT do anything not allowed by the district manager. The district
manager can not / WILL NOT...., etc.

Instead of just BITCHING about your problems on the net after the fact, ask right then to speak to the store manager. If the store manager's response does not satisfy you, politely ask for the telephone number and or address of their district manager. Address your query / problem up the chain of command. Remember that everyone is a person, deserving to be treated as a person. Not everyone knows as much about electronics / radio / computers as you or I do. You and I may not know as much about electronics / radio / computers as someone else does. I know a few things about radio that my manager doesn't. My Manager knows a few things about computers that I don't. All of us in the store help each other: teaching and demonstrating our strong areas; learning from their strong areas.

My manager and district manager both seem to be interested in ensuring that Radio Shack treats their customers as people. If anyone in any company, not just Radio Shack, doesn't treat you the way you deserve to be treated, it is only right that you let their supervisor know. Don't walk away mad. Let someone else directly above that person know about the problem. If you've been mistreated, chances are excellent other customers are also being mistreated. No company needs anyone mistreating anyone.

A salesman's job is to help someone find goods and or services to perform a job. Hand in hand with that job is the requirement to actually sell goods and services in the store. In my experience, a customer in the store is more perishable than a prospective customer on the phone. Not more important, just more perishable; If a clerk can't serve someone right there in front of you, they may walk out and there will never have another chance to serve them. THIS IS TRUE EVERYWHERE, not just the subject of this thread. If a clerk is too busy with instore customers to look up an answer for you on the phone right then, ask if they will look for the item and call you back when they have a chance. Volunteer to call THEM back later if you are a toll call from the store. Asking for a callback gives a 2nd chance to still serve our most valuable people, our customers. Retail clerks, in ANY store, get VERY busy at times. We can NOT, as HARD as we try, please EVERYONE all the time. Please treat us as people, just as you wish to be treated as a person.

The above thoughts are not to be attributed to any other person, company, or organization. They are my personal opinions regarding life and how to get along with others. You are free to agree or disagree with this message.

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Date: Tue, 7 Sep 1993 02:22:16 GMT

From: usc!cs.utexas.edu!utnut!torn!csd.unb.ca!a4q4@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: WANTED: Mods for TM-241A
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I'm looking for any mods on this radio...especially one that will allow it
TX in the 138-174 region. I am interested in any other mods also.

Don Trynor VE1ARZ
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Date: Mon, 6 Sep 1993 16:38:46 GMT
From: swrinde!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!usc!yeshua.marcam.com!news.kei.com!news.oc.com!
NewsWatcher!user@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Wanted: Pwr Sup for IC 735
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I've tried a couple of notices in rec.radio.swap but
have drawn blanks. So I thought I'd try once here.

I'm looking for a power supply for an ICOM 735.
Probably an Astron 35(M) or the ICOM style matched
unit (I forget the number).

Drop me a note via e-mail if you have something.

THANKS & 73's de WB5KXH

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Bob Wier, East Texas State U., Commerce, Texas
wier@merlin.etsu.edu (watch for address change)

Date: Tue, 7 Sep 1993 03:34:01 GMT
From: sdd.hp.com!nigel.msen.com!yale.edu!cs.yale.edu!csusys.ctstateu.edu!
white@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: WEFAX equip./Opinions Wanted
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I'm getting into WEFAX, and there are a numberof products available from
a bunch of vendors. I'm looking for opinions on the following products:

Software Systems Consulting's PC GOES/WEFAX demodulator and scanning
satellite receiver
Quorum WEFAX PC adapter interface card (expensive! but includes receiver)
OFS WEFAX scan converter
FAXCAP

VANGUARD PRODUCTS equipment

Any other suggestions for good equipment, or offers for USED equipment, appreciated.

Thanks

Harry

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Date: Mon, 6 Sep 1993 16:29:39 GMT

From: usc!cs.utexas.edu!convex!news.oc.com!NewsWatcher!user@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Yagi for Cellular Phone?

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I've just joined the cellular phone ranks ... Dallas is a very hot cellular market and there are pretty attractive deals (not that I'm dissatisfied with 2 meters :-).

One thing I'd like to be able to do is to take it to a place I own in S.W. Colorado way back in the mountains. It would be nice to be able to use the phone up at our cabin, especially when non - hams visit and I'm not around. I did some checking and found that the company which owns the cellular license there has no intention of building a cell in the foreseeable future (that pisses me off! Sounds like something that should be challenged legally - use it or lose it). The nearest operating cell is currently 80 miles away which will *occasionally* produce a "lock" on a phone my partner brought up this last summer. But since his was a .6 watt hand held, it couldn't "break" the cell. I have a 3 watt unit, so am wondering if anyone knows of/has tried using a yagi for cellular coverage. Of course you wouldn't want to do this in a metro area - it might well goof up hand offs between adjacent cells. However, *apparently* there isn't any law against it, since I see Radio Shack advertising antennas which have "5 db gain".

I wonder if you might be able to get Down East Microwave to custom cut you a yagi for 850 Mhz?

Any suggestions appreciated!

73's de WB5KXH

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Bob Wier, East Texas State U., Commerce, Texas
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Date: 7 Sep 1993 06:51:10 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!
moe.ksu.ksu.edu!crcnis1.unl.edu!unlinfo!mcduffie@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Yagi for Cellular Phone?
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wier@merlin.etsu.edu (Bob Wier) writes:

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My understanding is that not only the power is controlled by law, but so is the antenna. Antennas are to have no more than 3db gain (I was told) and the 5db antennas are the same old "db over what?" tricks we have all seen for years. I'm sure you will get better answers than this but thought I would pass this much along. Again, the above info is just something I was told (by a cell designer and engineer). I have

no formal backup for it.

73, Gary - AG0N

Date: Tue, 7 Sep 93 02:57:31 GMT
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!darwin.sura.net!udel!news!dg-rtp!webo!dg-
webo.webo.dg.com!abacket@network.ucsd.edu
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <267hap\$edg@charm.magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu>,
<CCsMGB.4yL@eis.calstate.edu>, <26eci0\$9ad@access.digex.net>racket
Subject : Re: It's been almost 8 weeks - should I call?

In article <26eci0\$9ad@access.digex.net> cormackj@access.digex.net (John Cormack)
writes:

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>I waited 12 weeks to get mine (last Saturday).

>
No don't call. It ties everything up to long . I waited 9 weeks for
mine in 1991. You can expect the wait to be somewhat longer. Some here have
said 12 - 13 weeks.

Congratulations / Welcome

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73-al
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Did I drop my .sig in the coffee??? Al Brackett
N1IQQ @ KA1RCI.RI (for those that know) abacket@dg-webo.webo.dg.com
Pray for peace / Plan for conflict
[insert] Standard Disclamer Here< > BLESS / PEACE

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